

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with James M. McAleenan on 04/28/08.

The application has been amended as follows:

Rejoin claims 8, 10-14, 18 and 21-23.

Cancel claims 25-33.

In all claims except for claim 1 in beginning of the claims change [A] in front of "method" to --The -- and replace [includes] with -- comprises --.

In claim 1: in third step after "drawing formation fluid into the flow-line" insert -- at least once --; in forth step at the end of the step delete [analyzed] before "formation fluid" and after "formation fluid" insert -- baseline analysis --.

In claim 4: after "and" insert -- establishing the baseline analysis being --; replace [storing] with -- memory --; move the expression "with a memory means" at the end of the claim.

Cancel claim 6.

In claim 7: replace [6] with -- 5 --; replace the first [adjusting] with -- injecting --; after "predetermined volume" insert -- of the reagent --; replace [includes] with -- comprises --.

In claim 8: replace [6] with -- 5 --; replace the first [adjusting] with -- injecting --; after "predetermined volume" insert -- of the reagent --; replace [includes] with -- comprises --.

Cancel claim 17.

In claim 18: replace [17] with -- 16 --; replace the first [adjusting] with -- injecting --; after "predetermined volume" insert -- of the reagent --; replace [includes] with -- comprises --.

In claim 19: replace [17] with -- 16 --; replace the first [adjusting] with -- injecting --; after "predetermined volume" insert -- of the reagent --; replace [includes] with -- comprises --.

Claim 35 (Amended): ~~A The method according to claim 1, including the further step of determining one or more types of formation fluid with the fluids analyzer such that~~ wherein the

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result of the ~~determined~~ formation fluid baseline analysis indicates if the stored analytical reagent is to be used, ~~whereby utilizing the stored analytical reagent.~~

Claims 1-5, 7-16, 18-24 and 35 are allowed. The new numbering of claims is 1 through 23.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art does not disclose or fairly suggest drawing the formation fluid into the flow-line at least once, thus comprising an embodiment for multiple drawings of the formation fluid into the flow-line and utilizing the stored analytical reagent into the formation fluid at least once, thus comprising an embodiment for multiple drawings of the analytical reagent.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yelena G. Gakh, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (571) 272-1257. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 am - 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jill A. Warden can be reached on (571) 272-1267. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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